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1: . Melamid, Alexander. Political Geography of Trucial 'Oman and Qatar. The Geographical Review, Vol. 43, pp. 194-206. New York: The American Geographical Society, 1953.

Yale: E10. G132. v. 43.

/The author is a lecturer in economic geography at the New School for Social Research, New York. In this article he gives information on the political history and the political geography of Trucial Oman and Qatar. The article contains other scattered information on oil concessions, population, boundaries and economic activities in Trucial Oman and Qatar. --Analyst. /

Field date: none
Analyst: Majed Elass

Evaluation: Geographer-4
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2: O'Shea, Raymond. The Sand Kings of Oman. London: Methuen and Company, Ltd., 1947.

Pp. xx, 209; 2 maps; 16 illustrations.

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[The author, who served as Station Officer at the British air station at Sharjah in 1944-45, gives a personal account of his stay there. Although there are numerous passages concerning his professional activities and the life of the British forces stationed at the Sharjah fort which have not been categorized, there is much detailed information about the natives, settlements, sheikhs, and topography of Trucial Oman. There is a section on desert warfare, a lengthy account of piracy on the Trucial Oman coast and of the slave trade of that region. There is also an excellent review of the pearl industry of the Arabian coast. --Analyst]

Field date: 1944-45
Analyst: Beverly Calsoyas

Evaluation: Government Official--3
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3: Melamid, Alexander. Oil and the Evolution of Boundaries in Eastern Arabia. The Geographical Review, Vol. 40, pp. 295-296. New York: The Geographical Society, 1954.

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[The realignment of the boundaries of the sheikhdoms in Trucial Oman is discussed in this two-page article. Maritime truces and treaties with Great Britain along with better economic conditions are seen to contribute to greater political stability within Trucial Oman. A useful summary of recent changes in Trucial Sheikhdoms is provided which notes territorial consolidation with more definite boundaries, recent oil concessions, and the development of urban facilities in Dibai. --Analyst]

Field date: none
Analyst: Charles Griffith

Evaluation: Social Scientist--3
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